

House Resolution No. 2853

Whereas, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives hold in high esteem those Show-Me State residents who have proven down through the years to be exemplary citizens in local communities and neighborhoods through the excellence of their civic involvement and leadership; and

Whereas, Dr. Norma Ruth Ellington-Twitty of Saint Louis, Missouri, has attained considerable distinction as Director of the Saint Louis Green Book Initiative on Domestic Violence and Child Maltreatment, a leadership calling that she will draw to a close in well-deserved retirement after more than twenty-two years of service with the Saint Louis community; and

Whereas, in addition to her involvement with the Family Court of Saint Louis County and its Green Book Initiative, Dr. Norma Ellington-Twitty has developed and maintained an excellent reputation for her activities with the Nonprofit Management and Leadership Program Advisory Board; the University of Missouri Saint Louis Advisory Board; Centennial Christian Church Board and its Stewardship Core Ministry Team, for which she serves as Chair; United Way of Greater Saint Louis and its Critical Issues, Allocations, Neighborhood Services Allocations Panel, and Special Needs committees; United Church of Christ Justice and Witness Board; Ethel Hedgeman Lyle Academy Board; Concerned Parents for Black Achievement; National Benevolent Association; Community Case Management Services Board of Detroit, Michigan; and Leadership Saint Louis; and

Whereas, a licensed psychologist in the state of Michigan, Dr. Norma Ellington-Twitty prepared for her diverse endeavors in life by earning Bachelor of Science and Master of Science degrees from Saint Louis University and a Doctor of Philosophy degree from the University of Michigan; and

Whereas, Dr. Norma Ellington-Twitty is justifiably proud also to be known as the beloved daughter of Ruth E. and the late Norman R. Ellington and as the loving mother of Jennifer Twitty Strickland; and

Whereas, it is fitting and proper that the Missouri House of Representatives should pause in its diverse legislative endeavors in order to acknowledge milestone events in the lives of such outstanding Missouri residents as Dr. Norma Ellington-Twitty:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-fourth General Assembly, join unanimously to applaud the personal and professional accomplishments garnered thus far in the life of Dr. Norma Ellington-Twitty and to convey to her this legislative body's most heartfelt best wishes as she partakes of the special opportunities and pleasures traditionally associated with the golden years of retirement; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for presentation to Dr. Norma Ruth Ellington-Twitty of Saint Louis, Missouri.

Offered by _____
Representative Jake Zimmerman
District No. 83

I, Rod Jetton, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Ninety-fourth General Assembly, First Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House Resolution No. 2853, adopted May 1, 2007.

Rod Jetton, Speaker